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Counsellor Robert S. Hartgrove
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Dear Counsellor:

I want to enclose this letter from Sen. Smathers, which you sent me for reference. I would have sent it sooner, but I wanted to show it to some of the members.

I wanted to be able to tell you when I wrote some definite date for a meeting had been set. However I am unable to do so. In fact I have not heard a word from our president since the season closed. I am sure we will get together soon, and I will let you hear from me as soon as I do.

Your letter was very nice, and I am sure with the attitude and approach you have, we will certainly be successful in getting the baseball situation straightened out. Right now the war situation is not so good. We have lost two good men to the army, Isreal who played third base, and Manning the pitcher. I am afraid this is only the beginning. All we can do right now is wait and see. I do believe however, if the worst happens, and we have to stop this year, we will be able to have Negro Baseball again when peace comes. We had made a little progress. At least most of the members seemed to be starting to realize their mistakes. That is something, if true.

Thanks for your cooperation. Let me hear from you soon.

Very Truly Yours